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SENATOR WEHRBEIN: The staff from . . .

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ... the Attorney General.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, I'm going to get something from the code of ethics about lawyers guaranteeing the outcome of litigation. Lawyers are not to guarantee the outcome of litigation. They cannot guarantee it. But, again, who cares? I care. And with all of the issues that I'm trying to grapple with now, this is just one more. And maybe at some point a few others will take an interest and we can position ourselves better to deal with the situation that's looming on the horizon than we are currently positioned. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And thank you, Senator Wehrbein. You were very helpful.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Mr. President, members, I think there's another aspect of this that we need to be thinking about. fund that I think we're transferring monies out of was created a number of years ago when we required various political subdivisions to either create new landfills or to close old landfills, largely as a part of a federal mandate. recognized at the time that the local governmental subdivisions might not be able to bear those costs. I'm going to speculate that many of the required landfills have been created. assisted many political subdivisions with closure of landfills that did not perhaps meet prior regulations. But I'm also aware that we perhaps have political subdivisions that were simply told to wait. If they were good soldiers in our efforts to bring the state into compliance with the federal regulations, if they would just wait until we got more critical issues out of the way, let's say the closure of a landfill, that we would come back to them. We would come back to the problems that the fund was developed for and we would help them. What are we going to tell those political subdivisions now if all the money is gone? Are we going to tell them that because they were good soldiers and the state needed money that we will no longer help them? Or